



1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois  
3 learned with regret of the death of Denny Best of Winter Haven,  
4 Florida, on September 25, 2003; and

5 WHEREAS, Denny Best was born on May 29, 1950 in Springfield  
6 to John and Ann Best; he attended Lincoln Land Community  
7 College and Southern Illinois University at Carbondale; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Best was a professional musician and played  
9 drums for several bands including Cicero Slim & the WW III  
10 Blues Band, Dr. Hector & the Groove Injectors, Midnight  
11 Creepers, Big Twist & the Mellow Fellows, Coal Kitchen, Cat St.  
12 Blues, Signets, Rock Bottom, Funky Blues Messiahs, T. Hart  
13 Trio, Raindear Army, Bird Dog Bobby, Nighthawk, Outlaw, and Taj  
14 Mahal; he recorded with Ernie Lancaster, Lazy Lester, Rafal  
15 Neal, Kenny Neal, Lucky Peterson, Alex Taylor, Noble Watts, and  
16 Rufus Thomas; he was a former employee of the House of  
17 Representatives of the State of Illinois; and

18 WHEREAS, The passing of Denny Best has been deeply felt by  
19 many, especially his daughters, Shana and Chelsea; his brother  
20 and sister, Bob and Sue; his nieces, Kiersten and Kathryn Best;  
21 and his nephews, Steven and Scott Koehler and John Miller;  
22 therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL  
24 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
25 Denny Best and extend our sincerest condolences to his friends,  
26 family, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
28 presented to the family of Denny Best as an expression of our  
29 deepest sympathy.